

US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

NPDES Pre-proposal Involvement Flagship

Update - FY2010 – 4th Quarter



Description of Flagship Project

- The National Pollutant Discharge Emission System (NPDES) website falls under the “Expanding Public Awareness and Involvement in the Development of Rules and Regulations” Flagship Theme
- THE NPDES Electronic Reporting Rule will require entities that have NPDES permits to report information to EPA electronically; helping to ensure the availability, accuracy, timeliness and consistency of information on those facilities regulated by the NPDES program
- The purpose of the website is to provide background information on the rule, status of rule development, announcements of upcoming stakeholders meetings, and a discussion forum with questions and topics changed
- The NPDES Rule is projected to be published by April, 2011
- Link to the NPDES website: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/oepi/rulegate.nsf/byRIN/2020-AA47?opendocument>

Stakeholders

- Public
- Industry
- Non-Government Organizations (NGOs)
- Congress
- Federal government
- State and local governments

Milestones/Status

- Selected Regulations.gov/Exchange to host threaded discussion with stakeholders (Completed)
- 10 regionally-focused webinars (Completed)
- 1 industry-focused webinar (Completed)
- 1 in person meeting on federalism

Highlights of Progress this Quarter

- Deployed Exchange site in July
- Posted webinars and status of stakeholder meetings

Planned Activity for Next Quarter

- Update questions and topics
- Continue threaded discussion on Exchange

Metrics this Quarter

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| ▪ Type of Web 2.0 tool used: | Threaded discussion on Exchange site |
| ▪ Number of Attendees: | 299 |
| ▪ Number of Web hits: | Over 21,000 |
| ▪ Number of Comments: | 26 |
| ▪ Number of Questions: | Available next reporting period |
| ▪ Number of Responses: | Available next reporting period |